

2. (once amended) A window operator including a mounting and drive transfer mountable in a cavity formed between a window sash and window frame when the window sash is in the closed position such that the mounting and drive transfer are not visible when the sash is in the closed position, an operator handle and handle mounting mountable to a surface of the window frame, the operator handle being coupled to the drive transfer and the drive transfer being drivingly coupled to an elongate threaded member mounted with the mounting, a threaded element located on the elongate threaded member being connected by a coupling to a hinge engageable with the window sash and mountable to the window frame by said mounting.

9. (delete)

10. (once amended) A window operator in combination with a multi-point lock mechanism, the lock mechanism including a first lock element having an engagement member, the window operator including a mounting, an elongate threaded member mounted with the mounting, a drive mechanism to apply a rotational movement to the elongate threaded member, a threaded element located on the elongate threaded member, a hinge with which a window sash can be mounted, a coupling moveable in response to movement of the threaded element on the elongate threaded member, said coupling having a driver which upon engagement with the engagement member imparts movement to the first lock element, a lost motion mechanism between the threaded element and the coupling, said engagement member being movable by (said/lost motion mechanism) and part of the hinge being connected to the coupling such that movement of the coupling results in movement of the hinge.

17. (once amended) The combination of claim 10 wherein the lost motion coupling is formed by a toggle mechanism and a trigger element mountable with a part of a window construction to induce toggling of the toggle mechanism.